Expansion of Talcher Fertilizer Plant

*518. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering for expansion of Talcher Fertilizer plant;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what is the number of persons expected to be employed as a result of expansion of the plant?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI G. S DHILLON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Welfare Programmes for Adivasis in Gujarat

*519. SHRI SAGAR RAYKA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to refer to reply to Starred Question 82 regarding Mandal Commission Recommendations given in the Rajya Sabha on the 31st July, 1987 and state whether Government have introduced any special Welfare Programmes for the Adivasis in Gujarat; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (DR. RAJENDRA KUMARI BAJPAI): The terms of reference of Mandal Commission do not cover the Scheduled Tribes. As such the reference to Starred Question No. 82 answered on 31-7-1987 regarding implementation of the recommendations of that Commission does not seem to be relevant. However, a number of welfare programmes for the Scheduled Tribes in Gujarat have been taken up under Tribal Sub-Plan strategy which has been adopted since 5th Five Year Plan. These include programmes for provision of drinking water educational health and nutritional facilities, credit and marketing, soil conservation measures and land reclamation, cottage and small scale industries, horticulture, dairy development and other schemes under poverty alleviation programmes like IRDP and employment generating programme such as NREP and RLEGP. Besides special micro-projects have been taken up for the five identified primitive tribes in Gujarat.

Tamil Nadu Institute of Urban Studies at Coimbatore

*520. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu had recently submitted some proposals to the Centra Government for financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 3 crores for the purpose of upgrading the Tamil Nadu Institute of Urban Studies at Coimbatore to a Research Centre; and

(b) if so, the stage at which the proposals stand and the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The Government of Tamil Nadu forwarded a Project Report for strengthening the Tamil Nadu Institute of Urban Studies, Coimbatore, requesting for financial assistance to the tune of Rs. three crores from the Government of India. The State Government have been informed that the Ministry of Urban Development do not provide funds for creation of capital assets for any Institute.

Request from Tamil Nadu Government for Industrial Licence

@3688. SHRI M VINCENT: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware of a specific request from the Tamil Nadu Government for issue of an industrial licence to start a 100 per cent export oriented graphite cutting and

@ Previously Unstarred Question 3020, transferred from the 7th December, 1987.

polishing unit, by the Tamil Nadu Minerals, a State Government undertaking; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to expedite granting of the licences so that the State can make use of the such raw materials available in Sivaganga needed for the said unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAMDULARI SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The application is under active consideration of the Board of Approvals for 100% Export Oriented Undertakings.

Implementation of NREP

3689 SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Governments are not taking adequate interest in the implemenation of the National Rural Employment Programme;

(b) if so, whether Government have tried to ascertain the reasons behind such indifferent attitude; and

(c) the States which are taking interest in this programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) to (c) No, Sir. It is not true to say that the State Governments are not taking adequate interest in the implementation of National Rural Employment Programme (NREP). Under the Programme generation of employment in mandays is monitored. There is no State which did not achieve the target last year. There are, however, cases when certain shortcomings have been observed in implementation of the Programme in different States. These shortcomings are brought to the notice of State Government concerned for taking remedial steps and to improve the implementation of the Programme.

Cut in Allocation for Implementation of Juvenile Justice Act

3690. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating to make a cut in the allocation for implementation of the centrally sponsored schemes formulated under the juvenile Justice Act; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Posts Sanctioned by C.P.W.D.

3691. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that permanent posts were sanctioned for regular transferred category staff of C.P.W.D. with effect from 28th October, 1983 by Memorandum No. 29/16/82-ECV dated the 19th March, 1985;

(b) whether it is also a fact that prior to this permanent posts were sanctioned by C.P.W.D. Memoranda No. 29/23/73-MSII dated the 1st March, 1974, No. 29/25/71-MSII dated the 30th December, 1971, No. 34/7/68-EV dated the 19th April, 1968, 25th March, 1968 and 4th March, 1968, and 34/45/66-EV(i) and (ii) dated 22nd March, 1966; and

(c) if so, the number of permanent posts sanctioned on these dates ac-